

OFF FOR VENEZUELA.

The Insurgent Embarques Will Get There Before the Arms Do.

The talk about a pursuit of the steamship South Portland, which sailed on Wednesday with a cargo of arms and ammunition supposed to be for Venezuelan insurgents, rather petered out yesterday. Nicomed Bolet-Porras, the Venezuelan Minister, said to a Sun reporter that the negotiations for the purchase of the Catherine Whiting had fallen through because the Whiting was "an old tub anyway," and was not capable of catching the South Portland. He said that a rich American gentleman had put his yacht at the disposal of Venezuela, and that she would be armed with 20-pound Parrott rifles, and other deadly instruments. This yacht, according to the Minister, was of 1,000 tons burden, and would make first-rate cross fire. She should follow and catch up with the South Portland and blow her out of the water if she attempted to land any of her cargo in Venezuela. If she did not attempt to land the cargo then the yacht would proceed along the coast and damage the insurgent forces. The Minister said that this yacht would be ready to sail by Saturday morning at the latest, and could easily overtake the South Portland by Tuesday.

The Minister's son, Carlos Bolet, went further than his father. He said the guns had all been purchased and were being put on board the yacht. There were two twenty-pound Parrotts, a lot of Hotchkiss guns, magazine rifles, and a large quantity of ammunition.

Both young Bolets and their father declined to give the name of the rich New Englander who had loaned them the yacht or the name of the yacht. If any such boat exists, she has escaped registration. The men who deal in vessels and sailing-yachts and who are said to be the head of such a boat, "the largest steam yacht in America to their knowledge was of only 400 tons.

Visits to the Consulate of Venezuela by communication made by young Mr. Bolet elicited the fact that neither guns nor ammunition of the kind described had been sold.

The South Portland has on board about \$10,000 worth of guns and ammunition. This is said to be purchased by the private agent of the Minister.

Mr. Bolet, with his party, whose

mission to this country was to purchase arms for the insurgents, are said to have sailed from New York on the steamer Philadelphia for Puerto Cabello. They will reach Venezuela long before the South Portland reaches her destination, the Port of La Guaira, and getting the guns and ammunition into the last-named country will be a comparatively easy problem of the insurgents say.

MAKE YOU RICH FOR \$55.

Mr. Harris's Little Game Attracts the Notice of the Post Office.

A well-dressed middle-aged man hired a room on the second floor of 451 Eighth avenue about three weeks ago, saying that his name was George H. Harris. He put up a sign reading, "Dominion Employment Company," and employed Joseph J. Ott, a reputable young man, as a clerk, saying that he was running an employment agency.

A number of complaints have reached the Post Office authorities that one Albert Leger was sending out circulars from 451 Eighth avenue to the effect that he had been appointed by the Chancery Court of England to take charge of the distribution of a large estate. The circulars enclosed what purported to be duly certified copies of a judgment of the Court of Chancery, and with the seal of the court.

In a regular letter Leger asked these persons to whom the circulars were addressed to send him \$45 each, promising upon receipt of the money to turn over to the persons addressed the corresponding judgment rendered by the Court of Chancery.

Harris went away on Monday, saying that he was going to St. Louis. On a regular six-to-eight o'clock basis, however, registered letters addressed to Albert Leger were received at Harris's office at 451 Eighth avenue. The Post Office sent him to the Bureau of Washington for instructions what to do with them. Pending these instructions yesterday a large batch of mail came addressed to Leger, and was held at the Post Office. The Post Office building and handed over to the authorities sixty-two letters, addressed to Leger which were received on Wednesday. Inspector Steers has been asked to investigate the case.

CHATER CONVICTED OF FORGERY.

Once a Wall Street Broker, but Latterly a Petty Swindler.

Philip Chater, formerly a Wall street broker, was tried yesterday in the General Sessions for forging the signature of Joseph M. George to a note addressed to Albert V. de Goleoura, stock broker, of 18 Wall street, on Sept. 3.

Chater sent the note by James Ryan, a district messenger, to Mr. de Goleoura, then on the floor of the Stock Exchange. The note requested Mr. de Goleoura to send \$10 by the bearer, as Mr. George had just reached town and was in need of money. Mr. George would explain the situation to Mr. de Goleoura at the club, in the afternoon. Mr. de Goleoura sent for Detective Bonnold, enclosed a slip of blank paper, and exchanged envelope, and gave it to Ryan, who delivered it to Chater. Thereupon Chater arrested Chater.

George testified that he was not in New York on Sept. 3, being in Belmont, I. L. He had no knowledge of the forged signature of Chater. The jury promptly convicted Chater, and Judge Martine remanded him to await sentence. Before the trial, however, after the verdict was rendered, Judge Martine

"It may be of interest to you, gentlemen, to know that this is not an isolated case of forged signatures. We have received and arrested four similar notes addressed to banks and brokers in Wall street who were found in his pocket, and I am informed that he has been obtaining money in this way for some time."

Chater is the son of the late Nathaniel Chater, formerly a Wall street broker, now dead.

The note was never received, but the last two years he has become dissipated and dedicated to betting upon the races.

NOT GUILTY OF ABDUCTION.

But Mrs. Suie is Held in \$500 for Keeping a Disorderly House.

Malo Suie, the wife of Charles Suie, a Chinaman, living at 91 Bell street, who was arrested Wednesday afternoon on a warrant charging her with abducting two Philadelphia girls, was arraigned before Justice McMahon in the Tombs Police Court yesterday afternoon. Superintendent Stocking of the Children's Society, who made the arrest, told the Justice that he had obtained proof from Philadelphia that Sally McDevitt, one of the girls, was over 17 years old, and that she had been taken from the house before the raid was made. Justice McMahon therefore dismissed the abduction charge, but Malo Suie was still held for trial on the charge of disorderly house. Little Boyd was detained as a witness. Little Boyd and Frederick Cuneo, who were found in the house at the time of the raid, were fined \$5 each.

BIGGS Glasses of Beer and Backed His Friend with a Revolver.

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CASE on the Hoos. Inland Road.

Davenport, Iowa, Sept. 22.—A west-bound passenger train on the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railroad, crashed into a heavily loaded freight train seven miles west of here at 1 o'clock this morning, wrecking eight freight cars, a baggage car, and a smoking car, and killing a brakeman and a switchman. Engineer Thompson of the passenger train escaped injury by jumping, but the fireman, engineer, and conductor were severely injured. No one was killed. The train had passed the point of the side track, and a portion was on the main line of the passengers' train's time.

CHASE Up on the Burlington.

Minnesota, Sept. 22.—A special from Sibley, Ia., says that a disastrous wreck occurred on the Burlington road, between that place and Ochedney, at 11 o'clock last night. Freight No. 6, eastbound, was going at a high rate of speed when the track slipped from under it, and it passed over the engine and sixteen cars down a fifteen-foot embankment. Three emigrants were killed.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

New York Stock Exchange—Sales Sept. 22.

CLOSING PRICES OF UNITED STATES BONDS.

Price, *Advt.* *Advt.* *Advt.* *Advt.*

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